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IN NETWORK WHEREHOST REACHABILITY IS  
ACCOMPLISHED BY RELATING STATIC  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Applicant submits this Preliminary Amendment along with an RCE in response to the Final Office Action dated December 10, 2009 in connection with the above-identified patent application. A **Listing of Claims** begins on Page 3 of this paper, and **Remarks** begin on Page 5 of this paper.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due and to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account 07-1445 (Order No. SAWA0006).